



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

1354 Highway 10 West, Livingston MT 59047

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Mr. Mark Lere
1420 East 6th Avenue
Helena MT 59620-0701

Dear Mr. Lere:

I am submitting this letter of support for the Future Fisheries application titled Miner Creek Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout Conservation being submitted by Carol Endicott.

I support this project believe that it will improve habitat conditions for the local Yellowstone cutthroat trout population. This system is susceptible to sedimentation that can limit spawning and recruitment success. This project should eliminate a sediment source in this system and improve conditions for Yellowstone cutthroat.

I urge the funding of this project to help improve this valuable fisheries resource. If I can provide more information or answer any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Pat Flowers, Region-3 Regional Supervisor
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